

THE EXAMINER'S BENCH

Bench Status Pad Field Test 0.3

A refined 4 x 6 continuity proof built to survive ordinary handwriting, active-process risk, and the last five minutes of a shift.

WHAT CHANGED

Version 0.3 removes the ambiguous Safe to resume marker, adds an actionable Do not interrupt marker, replaces Do not forget with Critical context, and redistributes writing room after three representative desk simulations. This is not practitioner field validation yet.

Run the interruption test

- [] Print the exact 4 x 6 proof at 100 percent / Actual Size.
- [] Use fictitious or sanitized information unless your agency has approved a test.
- [] Complete the card during the final five minutes of a realistic work session.
- [] Leave the card out of sight for at least two hours; overnight or a weekend is better.
- [] Start a timer before reading it. Stop when you can state the current process, last completed action, next action, and open loop.
- [] Target: accurate re-entry in under thirty seconds without reopening full notes first.

Stress the two risky moments

Process still running: mark Process running and, only when true, Do not interrupt. A checkbox that does not change behavior does not deserve to stay.

Blocked work: mark Blocked and use Open loop / blocker for the dependency. Critical context is for the fragile detail that does not naturally belong in another field.

Evaluation sheet

A small card earns its place only if it saves more reconstruction time than it costs to complete.

TEST	NOTES	1-5
Return speed Measured seconds until the examination state is clear.		
Writing room Normal handwriting fits without shrinking into note-card script.		
State markers Running / Do not interrupt / Blocked alter behavior rather than decorate the page.		
Next action The first move on return is obvious.		
Open loop A dependency or unresolved question remains intelligible later.		
Critical context The final field captures something useful that no other field owns.		

Verdict

Measured return time: _____ seconds

Field that felt cramped: _____

Field that could disappear: _____

Overall: [] another test [] revise before testing again [] wrong format